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TO: { Directors Of Field Operations, Port Directors }

FROM: { Director AD/CVD & Revenue Policy & Programs }

RE: PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION OF SALES AT LESS THAN FAIR VALUE OF
CERTAIN CARBON STEEL BUTT WELD PIPE FITTINGS FROM FRANCE (A-427-813)

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TO: REGIONAL DIRECTORS, COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS
DISTRICT DIRECTORS, AREA AND PORT DIRECTORS

FROM: DIRECTOR, TRADE COMPLIANCE DIVISION

RE: PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION OF SALES AT LESS THAN
FAIR VALUE OF CERTAIN CARBON STEEL BUTT WELD PIPE
FITTINGS FROM FRANCE (A-427-813)

1. THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PUBLISHED IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER
ON OCTOBER 4, 1994 ITS PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION ON CERTAIN
CARBON STEEL BUTT-WELD PIPE FITTINGS FROM FRANCE.

2. THE PRODUCTS COVERED BY THIS INVESTIGATION ARE CERTAIN CARBON
STEEL BUTT-WELD PIPE FITTINGS ("PIPE FITTINGS") HAVING AN INSIDE
DIAMETER OF LESS THAN FOURTEEN INCHES (355 MILLIMETERS), IMPORTED
IN EITHER FINISHED OR UNFINISHED CONDITION. PIPE FITTINGS ARE
FORMED OR FORGED STEEL PRODUCTS USED TO JOIN PIPE SECTIONS IN

PIPING SYSTEMS WHERE CONDITIONS REQUIRE PERMANENT, WELDED, CONNECTIONS, AS DISTINGUISHED FROM FITTINGS BASED ON OTHER METHODS OF FASTENING (E.G., THREADED, GROOVED, OR BOLTED FITTINGS). BUTT-WELD PIPE FITTINGS COME IN A VARIETY OF SHAPES WHICH INCLUDE "ELBOWS", "TEES", "CAPS", AND "REDUCERS". THE EDGES OF FINISHED PIPE FITTINGS ARE BEVELED, SO THAT WHEN A FITTING IS PLACED AGAINST THE END OF A PIPE (THE ENDS OF WHICH HAVE ALSO BEEN BEVELED), A SHALLOW CHANNEL IS CREATED TO ACCOMMODATE THE "BEAD" OF THE WELD WHICH JOINS THE FITTING TO THE PIPE. THESE PIPE FITTINGS ARE CURRENTLY CLASSIFIABLE UNDER SUBHEADING 7307.93.3000 OF THE HARMONIZED TARIFF SCHEDULE OF THE UNITED STATES (HTSUS).

ALTHOUGH THE HTSUS SUBHEADING IS PROVIDED FOR CONVENIENCE AND CUSTOMS PURPOSES, OUR WRITTEN DESCRIPTION OF THE SCOPE OF THIS PROCEEDING IS DISPOSITIVE.

3. FOR FURTHER REPORTING PURPOSES THIS CASE HAS BEEN ASSIGNED THE FOLLOWING INVESTIGATION NUMBER: FRANCE A-427-813.

4. THE U.S. CUSTOMS SERVICE SHALL SUSPEND LIQUIDATION OF ALL ENTRIES OF CERTAIN CARBON STEEL BUTT-WELD PIPE FITTINGS FROM FRANCE WHICH ARE ENTERED OR WITHDRAWN FROM WAREHOUSE, FOR CONSUMPTION ON OR AFTER OCTOBER 4, 1994. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 4, 1994, CUSTOMS SHALL REQUIRE A CASH DEPOSIT OR BOND FOR SUCH ENTRIES OF THE MERCHANDISE IN THE AMOUNT OF:

MANUFACTURERS/PRODUCERS/ EXPORTERS	CUSTOMS ID NUMBERS	MARGIN/ PERCENT
INTERFIT	A-427-813-001	12.04%
ALL OTHERS	A-427-813-000	12.04%

5. IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS MATTER BY CUSTOMS OFFICERS, VIA E-MAIL, THROUGH THE REGIONAL ANTIDUMPING/COUNTERVAILING DUTY COORDINATOR, THE TRADE COMPLIANCE

DIVISION, ANTIDUMPING/COUNTERVAILING DUTY BRANCH USING ATTRIBUTE "HQ OAB". THE IMPORTING PUBLIC AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES SHOULD CONTACT GARY BETTGER, OFFICE OF COUNTERVAILING INVESTIGATIONS, IMPORT ADMINISTRATION, INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, TELEPHONE (202) 482-2239.

6. THERE ARE NO RESTRICTIONS ON THE RELEASE OF THIS INFORMATION.

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Company Details

*Party Indicator Value:

I = Importer, M = Manufacturer, E = Exporter, S = Sold To Party